

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): A water-emulsifiable isocyanate composition comprising:

(C) at least one emulsifier obtained by reacting (A) an isocyanurate and/or biuret of 1,6-diisocyanatohexane (HDI) with at least one emulsifier (C1) comprising at least one isocyanate-reactive group and at least one nonionic hydrophilic group, and excluding an isocyanurate of 1-isocyanato-3,5,5-trimethyl-5-isocyanatomethylcyclohexane (IPDI) from (C);

(B) an isocyanurate of 1-isocyanato-3,5,5-trimethyl-5-isocyanatomethylcyclohexane (IPDI);

and

(D) optionally, a solvent.

Claims 2-4 (Canceled).

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein component (C1) is at least one polyalkylene oxide polyether alcohol, obtained by reacting at least one saturated aliphatic alcohol, having 1 to 4 carbon atoms in the alkyl radical, with ethylene oxide, propylene oxide or a mixture thereof.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The composition as claimed in claim 5, wherein the polyalkylene oxide polyether alcohol contains, on average, from 5 to 35 ethylene oxide units per molecule.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solvent (D) is present and a carbonic ester or lactone is used as solvent (D).

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solvent (D) is present and in amounts up to 60%, by weight, based on the composition.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): A polymer dispersion, comprising the composition as claimed in claim 1, and one or more additives.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): A coating composition, comprising the composition as claimed in claim 1, and one or more additives.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): A method of coating a substrate, comprising, applying the composition as claimed in claim 1, as a coating material, to the substrate.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 11, wherein the substrate is selected from wood, wood veneer, paper, paperboard, cardboard, textile, leather, nonwoven, plastic surfaces, glass, ceramic, mineral building materials, coated metals or uncoated metals.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): A method of adhesively bonding substrates, comprising, applying the composition as claimed in claim 1, to at least one substrate.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): A coating composition, comprising the polymer dispersion as claimed in claim 9, and one or more additives.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): A method of adhesively bonding substrates, comprising, applying the polymer dispersion of claim 9, to at least one substrate.

Claims 16-21 (Canceled).

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): The composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein, by weight of the composition in solvent-free form, (B) is present in an amount of 5-60% by weight, and before the reaction of (A) with (C1), (A) is present in an amount of 40-90% by weight, and (C1) is present in an amount of 5-40% by weight.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented): The composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solvent (D) is not present.

Claim 24 (New): The composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein a paint film formed from said composition and baked at a baking temperature of 100°C has a hardness when measured by a pendulum damping test in accordance with DIN 53157 (König hardness) that is greater than a paint film formed from a composition otherwise the same as said composition except that said (B) IPDI has also been reacted with said at least one emulsifier (C1).